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Applicant:

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Title:

MERCHANDISE PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT SYSTEM AND

METHOD FOR THE SAME, AND A COMPUTER PRODUCT

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to examination of the present Application, Applicant respectfully requests that the above-identified prior application be amended as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

In the title please delete "Planing" and insert -- Planning--.

REMARKS

The Examiner is respectfully requested to enter the above amendments prior to examination of the instant application. The amendments are made to correct clerical and grammatical errors and do not to change the scope of the invention.

Respectfully submitted,

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